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Subject:

Crandall Canvon Shaft Fall

While inspecting Crandall Canyon this morning it was discovered that the lower (easterly most) shaft has settled or dropped a considerable distance and water can be heard falling into the shaft. It was not safe to get near the edge of the shaft to better estimate the source of the water or the depth of the settlement. At approximately 1:00 p.m. today Nielson Construction will be on site with a track hoe which will be used to create a safe access to the edge of the shaft in order that we might better estimate the distance the shaft has settled and the source and volume of the water inflow. We will not begin filling the shaft or attempt any other remediation until DOGM and the BLM have had a chance to examine the site and consult on the appropriate action to be taken. You are invited to witness the work that will be done by Nielson Construction this afternoon; if you are unable to attend please contact me and let me know when you can make a site visit.

Thanks,

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